

SENATE No. 152

To accompany the petition of David M. Brackman for legislation relative to dividends or interest on deposits in the savings departments of trust companies and in savings banks. Banks and Banking.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Eight.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO DIVIDENDS OR INTEREST ON DEPOSITS IN THE SAVINGS DEPARTMENTS OF TRUST COMPANIES AND IN SAVINGS BANKS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section seventeen of chapter one hundred and
2 sixty-seven of the General Laws, as appearing in the
3 Tercentenary Edition, is hereby amended by striking
4 out, in the third and sixteenth lines, respectively,
5 the word "month" and inserting in place thereof in
6 each instance the word:— week, — and by striking
7 out, in the fifteenth line, the word "monthly" and
8 inserting in place thereof the word:— weekly, — so
9 as to read as follows:— *Section 17.* Dividends or
10 interest on deposits in the savings departments of
11 trust companies or in savings banks may be declared
12 and paid for periods of not less than one week nor
13 more than six months, as determined by their by-
14 laws, from income which has been earned and which

15 has been collected, except as otherwise provided in
16 the case of savings banks by section forty-seven of
17 chapter one hundred and sixty-eight, during the next
18 preceding six months and which is available after
19 deducting previous dividends paid, the reasonable
20 expenses incurred in the management thereof, the
21 taxes paid and the amounts required to be set apart
22 for the guaranty fund. In the computation of such
23 dividends or interest, when the day on which deposits
24 in any such savings department or savings bank
25 begin to draw interest, as provided in its by-laws or
26 regulations, falls on a Sunday or a legal holiday, de-
27 posits made on the next succeeding business day and
28 remaining on deposit through the balance of the
29 weekly period, may be construed as having been on
30 deposit one full week within the meaning of this sec-
31 tion, section forty-seven of chapter one hundred and
32 sixty-eight and section sixty-seven of chapter one
33 hundred and seventy-two.